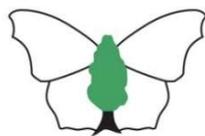


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Welcome to the December 2021 update from the Lancashire branch of Butterfly Conservation



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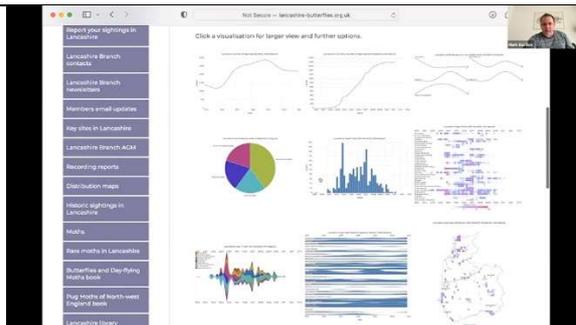
AGM and Members' Day

Lancashire Branch AGM & Members' Day 2021

Thanks to everyone that attended our AGM and Members' Day on 20 November 2021.

The reports are now available to download from our website: <https://bit.ly/31d47Cx>

You can also view recordings of the 3 presentations on our YouTube channel – see below for more details.



Presentation on the branch sightings page

Mark, designer and administrator of Lancashire, Cumbria and Yorkshire branches of Butterfly Conservation's sightings pages, gives an overview and walk-through of the pages. Mark explains how to enter your records and also how to view and utilise the visualisations of the records held in the database.

Watch the video here:
<https://youtu.be/eA7Nic0-Nc4>



Trevor Davenport's presentation on photographing butterflies and moths

Trevor Davenport, ARPS DPAGB ABPE, Lancashire branch member and Southport Photographic Society honorary life member, gives an informative and hugely enjoyable presentation on hints and tips, and things to consider when photographing butterflies and moths.

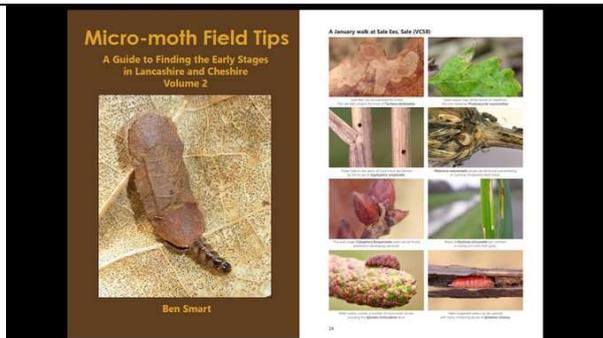
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Martin Wain's presentation on the Green Recovery of Morecambe Bay Woodlands project

Martin Wain, Morecambe Bay Conservation Officer for Butterfly Conservation, gives an update on the progress and achievements to date of the Green Recovery of Morecambe Bay Woodlands project.

Watch the video here:
<https://youtu.be/6dmJDTCQwuk>



Micro-moth Field Tips Volume 2 by Ben Smart is now available to pre-order in time for Christmas with a discounted rate for members!

Following on from the enormous success of his Micro-moth Field Tips published in 2017 and by popular demand, Ben Smart has compiled a second volume to help to identify the early signs of micro-moths in and around the north-west of England.

Designed as being complimentary to the first volume, the book has an introduction to the early stages of each family of micro-moths as well as many images of leaf-mines. The bulk of the book is again set out as a chronological guide of species to search out in each month of the year with images of each stage in the moth's life-cycle. At the end of the book, there's a comprehensive species and plant index

that covers both volumes. Though based around Ben's locale, the guide is relevant country-wide and another essential guide for moth enthusiasts.

The Lancashire & Cheshire Fauna Society, in conjunction with Butterfly Conservation have sponsored the publication of this book. It is slightly larger than volume 1 covering 200 species over 238 pages. It is full of excellent images and has a £18 selling price.

The book is now at the printers with an expected publication date of mid-December 2021, just in time for Christmas.

As this is a joint publication with The Lancashire & Cheshire Fauna Society members of the Fauna Society or Butterfly Conservation can get this book directly from us at the **special pre-publication rate of £14 + £2.20 postage and packing, a saving of £4.**

To reserve your copy, email mmfieldtips@butterfly-conservation.org with your name, postal address, preferred method of payment (we prefer bank transfer but can take cheques and card payments over the phone). Rob Yates, the L&CFS Treasurer, will reply with a code and details of how to pay. This needs to be done by 12th December 2021.



Report your sightings

Send us your latest sightings and add to our records.

Reminder to submit your butterfly and moth records

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their butterfly and moth records for 2021. If you have any outstanding records, even just the odd sighting, then please do submit them, they all make a difference.

You can submit butterfly records on our website at www.lancashire-butterflies.org.uk/report/ or you can email butterfly records to Laura Sivell, email: butterflyrecorder@lancashire-butterflies.org.uk

For guidelines on moth recording and the preferred methods of submitting your sightings, please visit the Lancashire Moths website: www.lancashiremoths.co.uk/home